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Latest News

EPA Leaves Door Open to Address Methylene Chloride's Workplace Risks

Facing widespread criticism that its first-time ban on consumer uses of paint strippers containing methylene chloride does not protect workers, the agency's top toxics official is leaving the door open to taking future action

to limit workplace risks under the revised toxics law though she stopped short of pledging to ban the chemical's commercial uses that many critics are seeking.

Reorganization Seeks To 'Rightsize' ORD After Years Of Declining Resources

EPA's planned reorganization of its Office of Research and Development (ORD) represents the natural outcome of the decades-long decline in the office's funding and personnel levels -- a situation that President Donald Trump's fiscal year 2020 budget request will accelerate by proposing further cuts to EPA research, sources say.

Environmentalists Say EPA Rollbacks Hinder Air Toxics Compliance Priority

Environmentalists are warning that EPA's proposal to extend an Obama-era enforcement priority on reducing hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) is undermined by the Trump administration's deregulatory push, saying budget cuts will reduce compliance inspections and policy changes are likely to cause a spike in toxic emissions.

Bush Dereg Chief Urges EPA To Shore Up Climate Rollbacks, TSCA Rules

John Graham, President George W. Bush's deregulatory chief, is urging the Trump EPA to shore up its efforts to roll back Obama-era climate rules, saying they are legally vulnerable to litigation and should be more "responsive" to the agency's landmark 2009 greenhouse gas risk finding.

Scientists Back Use Of 2007 Risk Approach For EPA Perchlorate Standard

A team of scientists in an article accepted for publication in the journal *Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology* is backing the American Water Works Association's (AWWA) call for EPA to rely on a 2005 risk assessment in crafting a perchlorate drinking water standard that could spur a weaker limit than use of an alternative approach.

Labor Fissures Over 'Green' Deal Could Complicate Democrats' Message

Opposition to the Green New Deal (GND) climate resolution by the AFL-CIO's energy committee could complicate how Democrats react to the plan because labor is one of their key constituents, though GND proponents such as the Sunrise Movement and other union officials are pushing back against the massive labor union.

Daily Feed

EPA's FOIA policy draws district court challenge, House attacks

The Center for Biological Diversity is trying to force release of EPA's internal policies for records requests, while lawmakers are stepping up their criticism of the administration's FOIA practices.

Fertilizer industry seeks to block EPA's collection of 'citizen science' data

EPA data gathered through a 'citizen science' information collection request will be low-quality and unsuited to regulatory decision-making, the Fertilizer Institute says.

Ewire: Hill Republicans mobilize against Green New Deal

In today's Ewire: The Senate is poised to hold a vote on the sweeping climate resolution the week of March 25, while House Republicans are urging that chamber to hold hearings on the measure.

Senators pressure Chamber to back climate resolution

Two dozen Democratic senators are urging the U.S. Chamber of Commerce to support a broad resolution urging congressional action to address man-made climate change.

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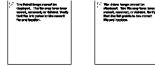
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